R^1 and R^2 are each independently a C_1-C_4-alkyl optionally substituted with hydroxy or halogen; and

R^3, R^4, R^5, R^6, R^7, and R^8 are each independently hydrogen, C_1-C_4-alkyl, C_1-C_4-alkyloxy, hydroxy, CF_3, CN, NO_2, or halogen,

with the proviso that at least one of the groups R^3, R^4, R^5, R^6, R^7, and R^8 is not hydrogen.--

--5. (Amended) The compound of formula **1** according to claim 4, wherein:

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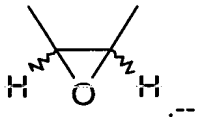

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--6. (Amended) The compound of formula **1** according to claim 1, wherein:

R^1 and R^2 are each methyl; and

R^3, R^4, R^5, R^6, R^7, and R^8 are each independently hydrogen or fluorine.--

--19. (Amended) A method of treating diseases in which anticholinergics provide a therapeutic benefit, comprising administering to a host in need of such treatment a compound of formula **1** according to claim 1.--

--20. (Amended) A method of treating diseases in which anticholinergics provide a therapeutic benefit, comprising administering to a host in need of such treatment a compound of formula **1** according to claim 2.--

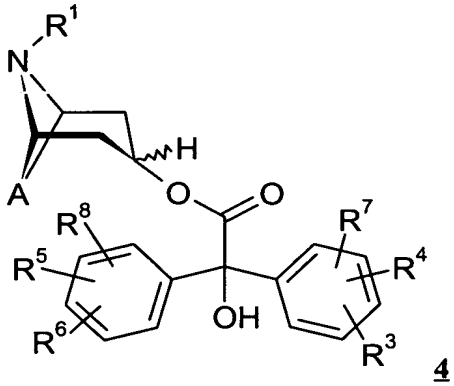
--21. (Amended) A method of treating diseases in which anticholinergics provide a therapeutic benefit, comprising administering to a host in need of such treatment a compound of formula **1** according to claim 3.--

--22. (Amended) A method of treating diseases in which anticholinergics provide a therapeutic benefit, comprising administering to a host in need of such treatment a compound of formula **1** according to claim 4.--

--23. (Amended) A method of treating diseases in which anticholinergics provide a therapeutic benefit, comprising administering to a host in need of such treatment a compound of formula **1** according to claim 5.--

--24. (Amended) A method of treating diseases in which anticholinergics provide a therapeutic benefit, comprising administering to a host in need of such treatment a compound of formula **1** according to claim 6.--

--31. (Amended) A compound of formula **4**



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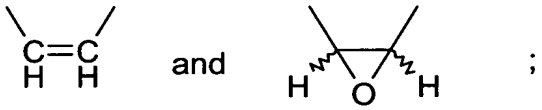
wherein:

A is a group selected from



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R^1 is a C_1-C_4-alkyl optionally substituted with hydroxy or halogen; and

R^3, R^4, R^5, R^6, R^7, and R^8 are each independently hydrogen, C_1-C_4-alkyl, C_1-C_4-alkyloxy, hydroxy, CF_3, CN, NO_2, or halogen,

with the proviso that at least one of the groups R^3, R^4, R^5, R^6, R^7, and R^8 is not hydrogen.--